



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

## REQUEST FOR FILING APPLICATION

Under Rule 53(a), (b) & (f)

(No Filing Fee or Oath/Declaration)

(Do NOT use for Provisional or PCT Applications)

Use for Design or Utility Applications

PATENT APPLICATION

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Assistant Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

1. This is a Request for filing a new Patent Application ( Design  Utility) entitled:

2. (Complete) Title: HOSE STORAGE DEVICE

without a filing fee or Oath/Declaration but for which is enclosed the following:

3.  Abstract 1 page(s).4. 36 Pages of Specification (only spec. and claims); 5.  Specification in non-English language6. 23 Numbered claim(s); and7.  Drawings: 13 sheet(s) per set:  1 set informal; 8.  formal of size:  A4  11"9. **DOMESTIC/INTERNATIONAL** priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(e)/120/365(c) based on the following provisional, nonprovisional and/or PCT international application(s):

Application No.	Filing Date	Application No.	Filing Date
(1) 60/032,219	12/2/96	(2) 60/043,968	4/22/97
(3)		(4)	
(5)		(6)	

10. **FOREIGN** priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(a)-(d)/365(b) based on filing in \_\_\_\_\_

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11. \_\_\_\_\_ (No.) Certified copy (copies):  attached;  previously filed (date) \_\_\_\_\_  
in U.S. Application No. / filed on \_\_\_\_\_12.  This is a reissue of Patent No. \_\_\_\_\_13.  Amend the specification by inserting before the first line - This is a  Continuation-in-Part  
 Divisional  Continuation  Substitute Application (MPEP 201.09) of:13(a)  National Appln. No. / filed ..- (M# )  
13(b)  International Appln. No. PCT/ filed \_\_\_\_\_ which  
designated the U.S. --14.  See top of first page re continuing appln (X box only if info is there)14(a) extension to date:  concurrently filed  not needed  previously filed

15.  Prior application is assigned to \_\_\_\_\_

by Assignment recorded \_\_\_\_\_ Reel \_\_\_\_\_ Frame \_\_\_\_\_

16.  Attached:

17. This application is made by the following named inventor(s) (Double check instructions for accuracy):

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18. NOTE: FOR ADDITIONAL INVENTORS, check box  and attach sheet with same information regarding additional inventors.

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, WE, KENNETH J. SPEAR, RUDY F. PLANTHABER, ERIC D. BENNETT, and STEVEN F. BROOKER, of Vienna, West Virginia, Mineral Wells, West Virginia, Parkersburg, West Virginia, and Marietta, Ohio respectively, have invented a certain improvement in HOSE STORAGE DEVICE for which application for Letters Patent of the United States was filed on December 2, 1997;

WHEREAS, O. AMES CO., a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Delaware, and having its principal office and place of business at Parkersburg, West Virginia, is desirous of acquiring an interest therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, we, the said KENNETH J. SPEAR, RUDY F. PLANTHABER, ERIC D. BENNETT, and STEVEN F. BROOKER, by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto the said O. AMES CO., its successors, assigns and legal representatives, the full and exclusive right to the said invention in the United States and all foreign countries as described in the aforesaid application, together with the right of priority under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, Inter-American

Convention Relating to Patents, Designs and Industrial Models, and any other international agreements to which the United States of America adheres, and we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to the said O. AMES CO., for its interest as assignee, for the sole use and behoof of the said O. AMES CO., its successors, assigns and legal representatives;

AND WE HEREBY agree to transfer a like interest upon request of said assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, and without further remuneration, in and to any improvements and applications for patents based thereon, growing out of or related to the said invention, and to execute any papers by the said assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, deemed essential to the assignee's full protection and title in and to the invention hereby transferred;

Agreeing, furthermore, upon request of said assignee and without further remuneration, to execute any and all papers desired by the said assignee for the filing and granting of foreign applications and the perfecting of title thereto in said assignee.

The undersigned hereby authorizes Cushman  
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Pillsbury Madison & Sutro LLP, to insert hereon any  
further identification necessary or desirable for  
recordation of this document.

Executed this 4<sup>th</sup> day of Feb.  
1998, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1998, this  
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